

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

The City Of Augusta

Proclamation

IN RECOGNITION of “Partners in Time”

WHEREAS, associates from Rich’s-Macy’s will join colleagues in 28 markets across nine states for a day of community service to benefit local schools on Saturday, September 11. The event marks the 15th Anniversary of Rich’s/Lazarus/Goldsmith’s-Macy’s and its parent company – Federated Department Stores, Inc. “Partners in Time” employee volunteer program; and

WHEREAS, Rich’s-Macy’s will demonstrate its long-standing commitment to youth and education by refurbishing and beautifying local schools in the Atlanta area. Associates will participate in painting, landscaping, mural, and renovation projects for the school; and

WHEREAS, Rich’s-Macy’s will participate in several programs between July and November 2004 such as Boys & Girls Clubs Back-to-School Supplies for Kids, YMCA programs for teenagers and Salute to Young Artists. These programs are designed to cultivate today’s youth to be leaders of tomorrow; and

WHEREAS, “Partners in Time” was established at Rich’s-Goldsmith’s in 1989. In 15 years, the “Partners in Time” program has given more than 375,000 hours in community service to the 28 markets it serves. In total, Federated Department Stores, Inc. has given more than one million hours to youth and education, AIDS/HIV, women’s issues, arts programs, and initiatives across the country; and

WHEREAS, the Atlanta-based Rich’s-Macy’s/Lazarus/Goldsmith’s is a division of Federated Department Stores, Inc. and operates 75 stores in nine states.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Bob Young, Mayor of the City of Augusta, do hereby proclaim September 11, 2004, as “PARTNERS IN TIME DAY” in Augusta, Georgia, in celebration of Rich’s/Lazarus/Goldsmith’s-Macy’s and its parent company – Federated Department Stores, Inc.’s 15th Anniversary of “Partners in Time” employee volunteer program and urge all citizens to recognize this day.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of Augusta, Georgia, to be affixed this 11th day of September 2004.

Mayor